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SUBJECT:    Applicant:    Gelfand *et al.*  
                 Serial No:    10/784,807  
                 Filed:        February 24, 2004  
                 For:          METHOD AND CATHETER SYSTEM  
                                 APPLICABLE TO ACCUTE RENAL FAILURE  
                 Examiner:    Matthews, William H. -  
                 Group:        3774  
                 Docket No:    LE-218J

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Form PTO/SB/30 and a Preliminary Amendment with Response for the subject application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO/SB/08a, and a check for \$405.00 for the RCE fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e), a Petition for Extension of Time in the First Month, and a check for \$60.00 to file an extension of time for a small entity.

If for any reason this Request for Continued Examination, Preliminary Amendment with Response, or Information Disclosure Statement are found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts (781) 890-5678.

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Sincerely,

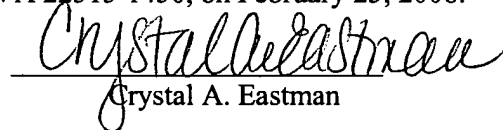


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